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Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee  
Committee Co- Chairpersons-  
Senator Martin M. Looney of New Haven  
Representative Claire L. Janowski of Vernon

Good Afternoon Senator Looney, Representative Janowski, Senator Fasano, Representative Camillo and members of the Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee. My name is Denis Nayden and I am honored to appear before this committee today and being Governor Dannel P. Malloy's nominee for a third term on the University of Connecticut Board of Trustees.

I am as close to being a Connecticut Yankee as one can be, having grown up in Stamford starting in 1963, attending St Cecilia's, Trinity Catholic High and then the University of Connecticut from which I'm a dual degree holder with a BA in English ('76) and MBA in Finance ('77). I met my wife Britta at UCONN who holds a BS in Physical Therapy ('76). We have two children whom we raised in Wilton Connecticut. We currently have a home in Stamford, Connecticut.

Upon graduation from UCONN, I had a 25 year plus career with GE's financial services company where my last position was Chairman and CEO. In April 2003, I joined Oak Hill Capital Partners as a Managing Partner and continue there today. Oak Hill Capital is a private equity investment company.

Over the years, I have spent substantial time dedicated to Church and community affairs. I have served on several non-for-profit boards. I have also been very involved with UCONN for a very long time. I was a founding member of UCONN's Business School Board of Advisors and served for eight years. I served on the UCONN Foundation for two terms. I chaired the UCONN Downstate Initiative which relocated UCONN's facilities to downtown Stamford and secured substantial private company funding. While at GE Capital,

I sponsored the creation of the Edge Lab at the Stamford campus. It was a private/public partnership which has received acclaim as a terrific program for students, the faculty and GE business partners. I chaired UCONN's first ever capital campaign which raised over \$400MM. My wife and I have made significant personal contributions to UCONN's Business School, the School of Physical Therapy by establishing the Nayden Clinic and most recently made a major contribution to Athletics for the new Basketball Training facility and for Scholarships for students. I recently concluded my second six year term on the UCONN Board of Trustees during which time I chaired the Joint Audit and Compliance Committee and served as a member of the Compensation Committee.

UConn is a great resource for the State of Connecticut. I know it is a priority for Governor Malloy and the Legislature. I am proud to be a UConn Husky and proud to have been involved with the University all these years and welcome the opportunity to continue to serve.

I appreciate your attention and would welcome the opportunity to answer any questions the Committee might have.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denis J. Nayden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Denis" and last name "Nayden" clearly distinguishable.

Denis J. Nayden